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Pope John Paul to visit France
PARIS, France, April 5 (Agencies) — Pope John Paul II is to make a three-day visit to France from May 31 to June 2, sources here said today. The sources, questioned on recurring rumors of a papal visit, said an official announcement of the Pope's trip would be issued by the Vatican next week. Etcheberry, president of the Conference of French Bishops, said the trip with the Pope two weeks ago during a visit to the Vatican, the sources said. Meanwhile, Vatican sources said an Italian newspaper report that the Pope is suffering from a serious illness "possibly leukemia," requiring blood transfusions. Commenting on the report, a Vatican source said "surprised such superficial statements could be printed in the intense daily activity of the Pope gives proof of his physical condition," the source asked not to be named.

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Happy Easter
The Jordan Times staff will be taking a holiday tomorrow, Easter Monday. There will therefore not be an issue of the Jordan Times on Tuesday, April 8. Our next issue will be on Wednesday, April 9. We wish all our readers a Happy Easter.

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Grenade explodes in Baghdad PLO offers to mediate Baghdad-Tehran dispute

United Arab Emirates (Agencies) — The PLO offers to mediate between Iraq and Iran in a dispute over a school in Baghdad. The PLO chairman Yasser Arafat said in an interview published in a Baghdad-based newspaper which resumed publication after a 20-year gap. Arafat said: "We are ready to do all that is in our power to solve any problem between friends." He said that the dispute between Iraq and Iran over a school in Baghdad has been deteriorating since Iran's Islamic revolution. He said that the two neighboring countries have ambassadors in Baghdad and reduced staffs in a move to solve the problem. He said that one person was killed and several others were injured in a blast in Baghdad. He said that the blast was a result of a military band, motor-cycle outriders and two cars carrying the coffin, which were draped with the Iraqi flag. He said that in a separate report today, INA said that a diplomat at the Iraqi embassy in Tehran had been arrested and asked to leave Iran. It quoted a foreign ministry spokesman as saying: "The persistence by the Iranian authorities in their hostile policy aimed at straining relations with the Iraqi Republic are only furthering the aims of imperialism and colonialism in the region."

First of cluster of six Israel begins work on two settlements

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, April 5 (R) — Israel has begun work on the construction of two new settlements in the occupied West Bank near the town of Jericho, agriculture ministry sources said today. They said the settlements, known as Jericho Outpost B and Almog C, will be the first of a cluster of six the government intends building. Local residents reported that bulldozers began earthmoving work in the area last Tuesday. The government's decision to begin work on the settlements came less than two weeks in advance of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's trip to Washington for talks with U.S. President Jimmy Carter. The U.S. has stated that it regards Israeli settlements in the occupied territories as illegal and an obstacle to peace. Government sources said last week that the decision was partly intended as a signal to the U.S. that Mr. Begin would not be pressured on the settlement issue in the forthcoming summit. Mr. Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat are due to hold separate talks with President Carter later this month to try and achieve some progress in the negotiations on Palestinian autonomy. With the target date of May 26 looming, almost no agreement between the sides has been recorded, after ten months of negotiations. The decision to build the new settlements appeared to contradict the provisions of the state budget which was approved by the Knesset last month. The budget allocated some 300 million shekels (\$72 million) for enlarging existing settlements but did not include any provisions for new ones to be built. But the English-language Jerusalem Post quoted an aide of Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon on Thursday as saying that finding the money would not be a problem.

Iran-American crisis still deadlocked IRP rejects move to transfer U.S. hostages

TEHRAN, April 5 (Agencies) — Iran's clergy-led Islamic Republican Party today strongly criticised moves to transfer the U.S. embassy hostages to government control and said they should remain in the hands of their student captors. In a statement published in the Islamic Republic newspaper, the party said: "Our clear and decisive stand on this issue is that the hostages should remain in the hands of the students following the Imam's (Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's) path." The party, two of whose leaders boycotted last Thursday's meeting of the ruling Revolutionary Council which was due to take a decision on a transfer, reiterated that the hostage issue was linked to the problem of the deposed Shah. It said President Carter was trying to secure a hostage transfer in order to win the presidential election, and to enable him to launch "massive propaganda against the Islamic Republic in the world." "In this connection, it is necessary to note that no guarantee by a colonialist government which for half a century has plundered our nation with all its power, is acceptable to us and nothing could ensure execution of such guarantees," the party said. Washington has threatened to impose further sanctions against Iran unless the transfer goes ahead, arguing that with the hostages under government control they will have access to regular visits by neutral observers and better medical attention. Sources close to the IRP leadership said the party feared the transfer would be the first step towards releasing the hostages. They said there would be great pressures on the government to free the Americans because their continued detention would be a violation of international law. Ayatollah Khomeini has said he wants the hostages' fate decided by Iran's yet-to-be-elected parliament but he has not spoken specifically of his views on their possible transfer. The embassy students and the foreign ministry today denied there would be a joint student-government meeting with the revolutionary leader to try to resolve the issue. But senior government sources said such a meeting had been proposed but had not in the end taken place. The Islamic Republican Party, which did well in the first round of Iran's parliamentary elections, said that the students should keep the 49 hostages "so that, as the Imam has said, the parliament, which is the highest and strongest decision-making authority, should announce its decision on this matter."



Three ministers bound for Iran to conduct an Easter service for the American hostages (from left): Rev. Jack Bremer of Lawrence, Kan.; Fr. Darrell Rupier of Omaha, Neb., and Rev. Nelson Thompson of Kansas City, Mo., talk to reporters at New York's Kennedy Airport Friday. The clergymen say their primary mission is the Easter service and any pastoral relationship that may evolve. (AP wirephoto)

U.S. team seeks bases from Somalia's Barre

MOGADISHU, April 5 (Agencies) — U.S. congressmen today began talks with Somali President Mohammad Siad Barre and government officials on President Carter's plans to strengthen the U.S. presence in the Indian Ocean, and Gulf in response to the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. President Barre said last week he had agreed in principle to offer the United States air and naval facilities, but negotiations were still continuing. The delegation from the House of Representatives arrived yesterday on a two-day visit. The team is due to go on to Saudi Arabia, Oman, Kuwait, Pakistan and Turkey. Somalia's main attraction for Washington is the Berbera naval base on the Gulf of Aden, a Soviet base until Mogadishu severed ties with Moscow in 1977. Western diplomats in the Somali capital said United States military technicians have examined the former Soviet base at Berbera. President Barre's announcement last week was followed by a joint communique signed by Kenya and Ethiopia in Nairobi calling on other states not to supply arms to Somalia "because of her expansionist policies." Kenyan forces fought against Somali guerrillas in the ethnically Somali north-east of Kenya in the 1960s. Somali guerrillas are at present fighting against Ethiopian rule in the ethnically Somali Ogaden region of eastern Ethiopia. The western diplomats in Mogadishu speculated that the U.S. would provide defensive weapons for the Somali army to protect its facilities and might provide similar weapons for the defence of the capital. Somalia has been without a major arms supplier since it broke its friendship treaty with the Soviet Union.



WEST PALM BEACH, Florida, April 5 (AP) — Britain's Prince Charles, looking lightly sun-burned, was released from hospital today, apparently recovered from the heat exhaustion that caused him to be admitted after a break polo game in sweltering heat. The heir to the British throne was admitted at 7:20 p.m. Friday after being checked by doctors at the hospital's emergency room. His condition was then listed as satisfactory. The prince had looked flushed and tired after finishing the match, played in high humidity and 90-degree heat yesterday afternoon. He scored during the opening minutes of the special match between Windsor Park and Palm Beach, which the British squad won 6-3. Even though he appeared very tired after the game, Prince Charles took part in an awards ceremony, swigging iced champagne from the silver trophy-cup when it was passed among members of the winning club. He then walked several hundred metres to where the horses were being kept and sat in a shaded golf cart for a few minutes before climbing into the front passenger seat of a car and driving off to the hospital with some teammates.

Regional Briefs

D, April 5 (R)—Iraq has decided to open an embassy in Zimbabwe, the Iraqi News Agency reported today. It said the foreign ministry statement as saying that the decision with the principle of developing its relations with African countries.
April 5 (R)—Five people died and four were injured in a blast of TNT exploded in a car in the southwestern town of Samarra last night, the official Pars News Agency said. Three of the dead were in the car. They have not yet been identified. It was presumed they were planning to commit a suicide. An elderly man sitting nearby died of a heart attack. The blast which also killed a passer-by and injured four others.
V, April 5 (R)—Arab League Secretary General Chadli al-Beltagi said today that the Arab League and the Arab World and foreign countries. Mr. Beltagi would also meet Crown Prince Fahd and Foreign Minister Saud Al Faisal for talks on strengthening relations between Arab, African and European countries. The secretary general in Saudi Arabia two days ago from Iraq and will also visit the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar and Lebanon.
LISBON, April 5 (R)—The Palestine Liberation Organization representative in Madrid, Mr. Abdullah Dajani, visited today for talks with Portuguese government officials, the news agency ANOP reported yesterday. Mr. Dajani's message to President Antonio Ramalho Eanes from PLO Yasser Arafat, and hoped also to meet Prime Minister Sa Carneiro. Mr. Dajani is the latest of a number of Arab diplomats to visit Lisbon recently. The right-wing government has launched a diplomatic offensive to relations with Arab oil-producing states.
LUX, April 5 (R)—The Head of Iran's Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Sadek Khalkhali, said today he hoped Iranian revolutionaries would be arriving in Syria soon to help fight the Israelis. He said a press conference in Damascus, Ayatollah Khalkhali said the Soviet Union, Washington and Iraq. He told reporters he was ready to back Syria in its struggle against "Zionism and their lackeys". Speaking after a meeting with President Hafez Al Assad, the ayatollah said that if a war between Syria and Israel, "the Iranian people and their resources stand with all their resources on the side of Syria." Khalkhali, who is on a tour of the region, arrived here today in Lebanon later today.
April 5 (R)—Iranian President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr red the establishment of provincial banks and said all the banks must invest directly in projects which would boost the economy. According to a presidential decree published by the news agency, provincial governors-general are to set up the new banks immediately, with the first board of directors to be held within 15 days. These and the commercial and industrial banks are obliged to grant loans to all productive sectors directly in them, the decree said. The measures were to boost economic activity, increase production and cut unemployment.
II, April (AP)—Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) and a flag carrier "Huma" will set up a joint air company to operate international cargo routes, the local daily "Dawn" said today. Preliminary discussions on the proposal have been in Karachi and Tehran during the last month. The daily said the new air company will have four to five Boeing 747s to carry cargo service. PIA has agreed to lend its two jumbo jets to the new company, it said.

South Yemen, Oman aides to meet in Kuwait

KUWAIT, April 5 (R) — The foreign ministers of South Yemen and Oman may meet in Kuwait next week in an attempt to improve relations, Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah said today. Sheikh Sabah said he had been in contact with Oman about the meeting, which he expected would take place next week. He added he would welcome it being held in Kuwait. Relations between Oman and South Yemen have been strained since South Yemen supported a rebellion in Oman's Dhofar province which was crushed four years ago with the help of Iran. Sheikh Sabah said he would travel to Tunis on Wednesday for a meeting of an Arab League committee formed a month ago to solve a dispute between Tunisia and the Libyan Jamahiriyah. Tunisia had accused Libya of masterminding a guerrilla attack on the Tunisian mining town of Gafsa in February, in which 41 people were killed and more than 100 wounded. Libya denied the charge. The committee is made up of the foreign ministers of Kuwait, Iraq and Syria.

India's Janata splits further

NEW DELHI, India, April 5 (AP)—The Janata Party, which ruled India from 1977 to 1979, disintegrated further today when it split for the third time in a year. A convention of about 3,000 former Janata members belonging to the Jan Sangh, a right-wing Hindu nationalist faction, decided to break away and launch a new party, Sangh leader L.K. Advani told reporters. Mr. Advani, information and broadcasting minister in former Prime Minister Morarji Desai's government, said that the name and symbol of the new party would be announced later. The Janata split further weakened India's divided opposition—there are now at least six major opposition parties, including two communist parties—and virtually ended any effective challenge to Prime Minister Gandhi's ruling Congress Party. It came about a month before elections to nine state legislatures which are widely seen as a major test of her hold on India's domestic politics. The Jan Sangh was one of five opposition parties that merged into Janata in 1977 and toppled Mrs. Gandhi from office in the national election.

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Jordan Valley Authority vice president Dr. Munther Haddadin (second from left) points out the sources of water that will fill the Maqarin Dam to three cabinet members on site Saturday. From left to right stand Dr. Jawad Anani, Dr. Jamal Sha'er and Dr. Qasem Al Rimawi.

Violence mars W. Bank Holy Saturday rites

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, April 5. (AP)—Christian pilgrims held candlelight prayers at the Tomb of Christ this holy Saturday to mark the day before the anniversary of the resurrection.

In Ramallah, near Jerusalem, a religious procession erupted into a riot-throwing protest against Israeli troops by Palestinian youths. But the main celebrations in Jerusalem itself were unmarred by Middle East tensions.

The litany of the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Armenian, Coptic and other Eastern Churches echoed through the incense-filled Church of the Holy Sepulchre in a quick succession of prayers. Protestants held separate services outside the city walls.

In Ramallah, a group of youths taking part in the annual candlelight procession to the church spied some Israeli troops standing nearby. According to Deputy Mayor Pastor Odeh Rantisi, the troops fired tear gas at the youths and arrested a number of them.

"The army came close and provoked the young people," Mr. Rantisi said. "We are protesting this. The soldiers had no place there."

Despite the incident, the procession continued to the Ramallah church for prayers. Catholics held a sparsely attended dawn pontifical Mass of the Blessing of the Fire symbolizing the light Jesus gave to the world. A solemn procession was held from Calvary to the mausoleum of the sepulchre a few feet away.

In the afternoon thousands of Greek Orthodox pilgrims crammed into the 800-year-old church for a similar divine liturgy, jostling to light their candles from the flame brought out of the tomb by Metropolitan Vasilios of Caesaria.

"You have to look a long way to find an exciting moment like that," said Father Constantine Volaitis, chancellor of the Pittsburgh Greek Orthodox diocese, who will narrate a live television broadcast of Sunday's service to the United States.

With their candles flickering in the darkened church, the pilgrims

marched around the massive mausoleum three times before filing into the church courtyard where the peal of churchbells filled the air.

It was a bruising experience, "but to be in a crush like that makes you feel at one with humanity," Father Volaitis said.

Holy week fell simultaneously this year for the Catholic and Orthodox churches, requiring a careful scheduling of prayers to accommodate the various faiths inside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

At the same time Jews celebrated the fifth day of the week-long Passover holiday commemorating the exodus of the ancient Israelites from Egypt.

Israeli officials estimated about 95,000 Christian and Jewish visitors were here for the holiday season.

Devout Jews gathered Friday evening in another area of the old city to recite the song of songs at the wailing wall, the last remnant of the biblical temple.

Metropolitan Vasilios, whose rank equals that of a Catholic archbishop, said the complicated and closely timed schedule worked out two months ago by the various churches was being faithfully kept.

The common Easter, he told the Associated Press, "is a blessing because we show to the world that we are like one family, which was the prayer of our Lord."

"We are giving an excellent example to all communities with our spirit of cooperation and brotherly love, the metropolitan said.

Greek Orthodox climax Easter celebrations in the church with a midnight service of the resurrection while Catholics and Protestants pray in dozens of churches throughout the city.

Catholics will celebrate a pontifical mass Sunday morning in the church led by the Latin patriarch of Jerusalem, Monsignor Giacomo Giuseppe Beltrilli.

Meanwhile Pope John Paul II celebrated an Easter vigil mass in the splendor of St. Peter's Basilica tonight, leading the world's 720 million Roman Catholics in the commemoration of Christ's resurrection.

Cabinet members make extensive tour of Maqarin and Jordan Valley

Text and photo
by Sara O'Neil
Jordan Time Staff Reporter

AMMAN, April 5 — The increasing importance of the Jordan Valley in the development of the country's agricultural resources and the need to get a first-hand understanding of how this development is being planned provided a trio of cabinet ministers with the incentive to make a day-long reconnaissance trip to the valley today.

Dr. Qasem Al Rimawi, minister of agriculture, Dr. Jamal Sha'er, minister of municipal, rural and environmental affairs and Dr. Jawad Anani, minister of supply, accompanied by a handful of government officials, were briefed at every stop in the journey by Dr. Munther Haddadin, Senior Vice President of the Jordan Valley Authority.

The ministerial team first made its way to the far north of the country, where the River Yarmouk marks the boundaries between Jordan and Syria and Israel. In this politically sensitive area con-

struction of the main component of the Jordan Valley Irrigation Scheme Stage Two, the Maqarin Dam, is scheduled to begin early next year.

From the top of a steep hill overlooking the river, Dr. Haddadin pointed out the four sources of water that meet at Maqarin to form the Yarmouk, the Jordan River's main tributary. Three of these wadis flow in from Syria and one from Jordan.

The Maqarin Dam will regulate the flow of the River Yarmouk, which has an annual average yield of 242 million cubic metres, and allow extension of the East Ghor Main Canal a final 14.5 kilometres from its present ending point south of Karameh down to the Dead Sea. An area of 9,820 hectares of land will thus be brought under irrigation and 11,930 hectares will be converted to sprinkler irrigation.

The Maqarin Dam, to be built over a period of five years at a cost of about \$650 million, will have a design capacity of 486 million cubic metres. It is proposed to

pump 100 million cubic metres per year to replenish Amman's domestic water supply and 26 million to Irbid. More than a dozen foreign governments and agencies are to help fund this massive scheme with its total estimated cost of more than a thousand million dollars.

After a visit to the site office, where the party learned that the detailed investigations and design study are in final stages, the team made its way down to the Jordan Valley past the point where the Yarmouk forks. One branch continues its natural course down to the River Jordan and the other flows into the East Ghor Canal.

After having absorbed the anticipated benefits of Stage Two of the Jordan Valley Irrigation Scheme, the team were shown several examples of the fruits of Stage One, which has recently been completed. In this stage, begun in late 1976, village development was initiated with the aim of drawing large numbers of settlers to the area.

The party looked round a girls' school, one of 26 schools con-

structed and furnished by the Ministry of Education, as well as a health centre complete with emergency operating theatre, health centres of three different grades have been built and now ready for opening.

Last stop on today's itinerary was the brand new packing, grading station at Arda, south of Deir Alla, the first of its kind in Jordan. The depot, which includes an auction building, will provide employment for 200 local girls, when it goes into operation next month. It will revolutionize the exporting of agricultural products, with a design capacity packing 14 tons of tomatoes per hour and 10 tons of other vegetables per hour. The only such station in the Middle East, Egypt, is equipped with similar machinery—but for citrus fruit not vegetables.

The station was built at a cost of JD1.2 million with an additional 270,000 dinars spent on equipment. The suppliers are local and the project has been financed by the Jordanian Dutch governments.

Girl becomes boy in Amman operation

By Khaled Nsour
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, April 5 (JT) — A 20-year old girl named Amneh became a boy in a two-hour surgical operation at Al Bashir hospital today.

The girl-turned-boy (his name is now Falah) expressed deep happiness at the outcome of the operation and said: "I feel like I've been born again, and I will certainly get married one day and

have children." The "new boy", a member of a family from the village of Thar Ras in the Karak governorate, said he will keep "safe" whatever secrets he might have about girl friends.

Falah's father told a correspondent for Al Rai newspaper that he was happy, and will urge his son to join the army for his conscription term at least.

According to the father, Falah attend the village school until the fourth grade. Afterwards he was

dismissed because of his rather unusual behaviour towards the other girls in the school.

Since then, he has attended no other school. It was only a year ago that Amneh felt pain in the lower abdomen and the doctor advised the father to place the "girl" under treatment and for possible surgery to change her sex.

The urologist who carried out the operation was Dr. Alaiyan Maghairyeh from the surgery department at Al Bashir hospital. It took exactly two hours, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., to change Amneh into Falah, Dr. Maghairyeh said.

The confusion of sexes, as in the case of Falah/Amneh, is a not uncommon syndrome. It is caused by the incomplete development of external genitalia during gestation, so that a newborn baby may appear on the outside to be female while he is male on the inside, or vice versa.

Recounting the history of Falah's case, Dr. Maghairyeh said

that Amneh visited him one year ago after feeling pain in lower abdomen. "After a urinary tests I found she change into a male," he said.

"Further tests were encouraging the girl's father to have the operation and he gave his consent," Dr. Maghairyeh said.

From that time onwards, doctor treated the girl with hormones to pave the way for operation and help her to appear, there was a noticeable change in the voice and her behaviour began to wane, Maghairyeh said. The operation was carried out after all signs indicated it would be successful. Maghairyeh said Falah's case is not unusual, and other operations all the time in many of the world. Cases of this have, however, appeared in Jordan so far. He said Falah now exercise a normal male and laboratory tests have proved his ability to have children.



Amneh/Falah lies under sedation as Dr. Alaiyan Maghairyeh accomplishes the sex change. (Photo by Yousef Allan)

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An imposition

PRESIDENT Sadat's idea of "imposing" Palestinian "autonomy" on the residents of the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip is yet another example of his willingness—eagerness, even—to play into Israel's hands.

It takes a bad idea—autonomy—and makes it worse. It undermines a lot of the gains that have been, and are being, made towards accommodating rival nationalisms in Palestine. It seriously erodes the position of the Palestinians in pressing their just and correct demands for a national homeland. It proposes bringing the unacceptable concept of "limited self-rule" down on the heads of the Gazans, whose struggle for independence, self-determination and a complete end to the occupation of their homeland is every bit as real and as important as that of the Palestinians of the West Bank, or the Palestinians of the diaspora, or indeed the Palestinians of pre-1967 Israel. And while proposing to bestow the dubious "blessings" of "autonomy" on the Gazans, it gives Israel, and the rest of the world, an excuse for ignoring the stateless plight of all those other Palestinians, who will be promised only that "one day, this too can be yours." But such a goal, even if it were desirable, would be left to the Israelis to implement, at the very time when they are engaged in settling, colonising, expropriating and annexing the West Bank.

All this is bad enough, and more than sufficient reason for the immediate rejection of Mr. Sadat's proposal for the Gazans themselves.

But the worst aspect of all is that the Sadat scheme seeks to divide the Palestinians against themselves. And that is what surely makes it most unacceptable of all. "Divide and rule" is an established mode of state manipulation; Sadat apparently wishes to change this to "divide and self-rule."

The scheme is typical of the tendencies which Mr. Sadat has shown from the beginning of his negotiations with Israel to flout the indivisibility of the Palestine question. First he sheers off the timetable for "normalisation of relations" with Israel from the question of progress on the actual issues at stake in the negotiations. Then he seeks to separate the question of Jerusalem from the other aspects of the problem. Now he proposes to make of Gaza some sort of grotesque test case for Mr. Begin's plans for a Greater Israel.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: According to Mr. Yusef Burg, the Israeli interior minister and head of the Israeli team to the autonomy talks with Egypt, the European initiative, which has not been announced yet, represents a stab in the back to Israel, the U.S. and the Egyptian government.

This is one from of the Israeli peevishness which refuses to allow the European countries any role in finding a just solution to the Palestinian issue, a solution would bring genuine peace to the region. This shows to what extent peace bothers the Israeli officials — so much that they describe it as a stab in the back.

The source of this worry is that true peace would end the state of no peace no war which is the ideal state Israel is keen on preserving and exploiting as long as possible. This state of limbo gives Israel the opportunity to proceed with its settlement measures and the swallowing up of Arab land in addition to extorting more and more aid and assistance at the expense of the American taxpayer.

AL DUSTOUR: Israel has no historical ambitions in the Gaza Strip. Therefore, showing flexibility in applying local autonomy there is no loss to Israel, especially if concessions in Gaza would buy President Sadat's withdrawal from the negotiations on the West Bank and Jerusalem. If President Sadat is threatening to impose autonomy in the Gaza Strip, this means the return of Egyptian influence to the strip at the expense of the Palestinian leadership — which would be welcomed by Israel.

As for President Sadat, he can — by applying some sort of autonomy in Gaza — claim that he put the Palestinians at the beginning of the road to independence and that he liberated the Gaza Strip from Israeli domination. Thus, under the cover of the Egyptian media's praise for this "marvellous achievement" President Sadat will be able to quietly withdraw from negotiations on the West Bank and Gaza, leaving this to the Palestinians. Hence, Israel and Egypt, despite their fabricated differences, have an interest in agreement on arranging a sort of administrative autonomy in the Gaza Strip to enable them to run away from their international commitments towards the Palestinian issue and people.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Architecture Exhibition

The Department of Culture and Arts, in cooperation with the Embassy of India, presents an exhibition commemorating the 15th century of the Hija on Islamic architecture in India. The exhibition is on display at the Art Gallery, Ministry of Culture and Youth until April 6.

Book Exhibition

On the occasion of National Book Week, the Department of National Libraries, Documents and Archives presents an exhibition of children's books, including works by Jordanian authors, at their premises, New Insurance Building, Third Circle, Jabal Amman. Open daily until April 7.

Piano Recital

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Oxford conference on Jordan renews sense of historical perspective

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of Japan, Jordan's Minister of Cul-
ture and Youth Muwaffaq Al
Fawwaz and a number of other
notables from Jordan and other
countries. That so many dig-
nitaris took almost a full week
out of their busy schedules attests
to the importance of these dis-
cussions on Jordan's past to the
world of today.

Tuesday night's formal opening
took place in Oxford's elegant
Sheldonian Theatre, a monument
of outstanding 17th century art
and architecture. After the wel-
coming speeches of Prince Has-
san, Oxford's Vice-chancellor Sir
Rex Richards, British Foreign
Office Minister of State Douglas
Hurd and Jordan's Director Gen-
eral of Antiquities Adnan Hadidi,
Britain's Prince Charles said a few
words.

Fresh from the enthronement of
the new Archbishop of Can-
terbury, the Prince of Wales
admitted that he tried to do too
many things in one day, and
thought that from the looks of the
conference's schedule, everyone
there had the same problem. He
added that unfortunately this
opening was the nearest he had
ever come to visiting Jordan, but
that he intended to rectify that
lapse, soon. With little further ado
(but managing to get in a few good
words for his own university of
Cambridge, Oxford's rival),
Prince Charles declared the con-
ference open.

There was good reason to be
impressed with the conference's
working schedule. For although it
was in a sense a pause from the

world outside, there was certainly
plenty of activity in that pause.
There were ten working sessions
during the five days, and in each
session at least three papers were
presented and discussed.

Each morning and afternoon
the participants walked the short
distance from Christ Church's
main gate to the University Cha-
plaincy. Here, in the lecture hall,
the papers went off quite well on

together (or knock them together,
as the case may be).

Thus, to name but a few, lively
and informative discussions were
prompted by Dr. J. Basil Hen-
nessy's remarks on the rela-
tionship of the Stone Age Ghas-
sulan culture of the Jordan Valley
to the later Beersheba culture; by
Dr. Svend Helms' claim that the
fortifications and intricate water

particularly controversial, did
nevertheless present new and sig-
nificant conclusions. One which
had very useful applications to
much of the work currently being
done in Jordan was that of Dr.
James A. Sauer, who presented a
typological system for Early
Islamic pottery based on work
done only in the past ten or so
years.

Prince Hassan, although pat-
ronising the conference, was
unable to attend all of its sessions.

Indeed, as he said at one point, he
felt he should not be present at all
times, for fear of unduly influen-
cing the proceedings. But he was
there a good deal of the time, and
made some significant con-
tributions to the discussion of a
number of the papers. Princesses
Dina and Alia attended every ses-
sion.

The success of such a gathering
is difficult to judge. For in the case
of scholarly papers, one has to be
something of an expert on every
field dealt with to evaluate their
contributions. It was clear that not
every paper contained a startling
revelation.

But to quote Dr. Hadidi, the
aim of the conference was "to
bring together scholars of inter-
national repute whose work
reflects, in diverse ways, the his-
tory of Jordan from earliest pre-
historic times to the end of the
Ottoman period. All facets,
including Jordan's cultural rela-
tionship with other countries
(were to) be reviewed." The con-
ference certainly succeeded in
meeting these goals. In the words

of another leading participant, it
was "a look at where we are."

In opening the conference,
Prince Hassan called for sugges-
tions and proposals relative to the
establishment of a centre or panel
of experts on Jordanian archaeol-
ogy to promote historical research
and cooperation in the field. Ideas
were discussed throughout the
week, and the participants met in
national caucuses to draw up
proposals. Finally an *ad hoc* com-
mittee of representatives elected
by the national groups met with
the Prince, and issued a statement.

The statement, read by Prince
Hassan at the conference's closing
session, calls for the establishment
of a centre in Amman for the "col-
lation and systematic pre-
sentation" of data concerning
Jordan's resources. But the state-
ment goes on to say:

"The centre is envisaged as hav-
ing research facilities of its own,
but in the first instance its main
function will be that of an advisory
body for the dissemination of any
information which might be
required by scholars working in
the field of Middle Eastern
archaeology and associated dis-
ciplines."

On Sunday night, March 30,
Prince Hassan and Princess Sar-
vath hosted a dinner for all par-
ticipants in Christ Church's Hall.

As the participants began to
recover from the conference's
gruelling schedule, Prince Hassan
spoke of some of the achieve-
ments of this gathering and his
hopes for future ones. One of the
main benefits of the Oxford con-

ference was that it led to broader
contacts between Arabs and Wes-
terners. "If Arabs are to be under-
stood," the Prince said, "they

should be given the opportunity to
communicate their ideas, aspira-
tions and hopes in a dialogue
unimpeded by stereotypes." This
was certainly one of the con-
ference's achievements.

Future conferences on Jordan's
history and archaeology are
planned to take place once every
two years. Oxford is not, however,
the probable venue for these
gatherings; they will take place "in
Amman or elsewhere as appropri-
ate," Dr. Hadidi said. In Prince
Hassan's words, "I do hope this
form of meeting... will be not only
a practical contribution... but will
help to furnish the stability so
badly needed" in the region.

As the participants left the hall,
Prince Hassan greeted each of
them personally, presenting them
with a memorial medal specially
minted for the occasion.



Participants walk from Christ
Church College to the chaplaincy
for the last session on Sunday.

LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

U.S. dollar	308.00/310.00
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French franc	68.30/68.70
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Japanese yen	
(for every 100)	120.00/120.70
Dutch guilder	144.30/145.30
Swedish crown	68.50/68.90
Belgian franc	98.10/98.70

TODAY'S WEATHER

It will be fine, with light and vari-
able winds. In Amman, it will be
hazy, with northerly moderate to
fresh winds and calm seas.

	Overnight	Daytime
	low	high
Amman	10	23
Agaba	21	32
Deserts	9	26
Jordan Valley	14	30



ARAB BANK LIMITED



FACTS FROM THE 1979 DIRECTORS REPORT

KEY FIGURES

Arab Bank Ltd. scored new highs in 1979
comparison with the previous record fig-
ures of 1978. The Balance Sheet Total
reached two billion Jordan dinars, the
highest of approximately 7 billion U.S. dol-
lar which represents an increase of 18.3%

Assets increased by 17.6%, and Loans &
Advances by a large percentage of 37.1%, as
a result of increased financing of important
projects in the Arab World and participating
in national syndicated loans. The liquid-
ity (Cash/Deposits) remained high at
or 63.9% when marketable securities
were considered.

Current Accounts comprising guarantees,
loans, credits and acceptances
increased by 19.1%. The volume of
import and export transactions effected
through the Arab Bank branches registered a
balance of increase of JD 140 million over 1978,
amounting to JD 936 million.

RATING RESULTS

Operating Earnings surpassed JD 100 million
for the first time. After setting aside adequate
provisions for contingencies and deducting all
taxes a Net Profit of JD 14,315,840 is left
for appropriation. The Board recom-
mended the allocation of JD 8,950,000 to the
Reserves shown in the Balance Sheet
of JD 2,053,090 as Undivided Profit. This
leaves the Shareholders Equity up to JD 61
million, as compared with JD 50 million in
1978. The Board also recommends the allo-
cation of JD 3,300,000 as Dividends at JD 3 per
share compared with JD 2.5 in 1978. The
remaining balance, JD 12,750, is allocated as
provision to the Board Members.

The Board of Directors has asked the General
Assembly to increase the capital of the Arab
Bank from 11 million J.D.s to 22 million by
issuing a new share for every share
already held.

	1979 JD	1978 JD		1979 JD	1978 JD
ASSETS			LIABILITIES		
CASH IN HAND & AT BANKS	679,188,352	648,676,571	DEPOSITS & OTHER ACCOUNTS	1,187,965,780	1,010,601,538
BONDS (Government & Other)	79,538,591	53,988,858	ITEMS IN TRANSIT	2,169,846	740,772
INVESTMENTS (incl. Subsidiaries)	8,952,435	7,430,613	CAPITAL AUTHORIZED & FULLY PAID (JD 10 per share)	11,000,000	11,000,000
BILLS DISCOUNTED	54,935,893	49,534,337	STATUTORY RESERVE	10,000,000	8,550,000
LOANS TO CUSTOMERS	419,086,706	296,107,050	GENERAL RESERVE	21,000,000	17,000,000
BANK PREMISES (less depreciation)	6,910,678	5,554,429	VOLUNTARY RESERVE	13,000,000	9,500,000
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT (less depreciation)	1,376,132	1,167,326	UNDIVIDED PROFIT	6,025,615	3,972,525
OTHER ASSETS	4,485,204	1,670,151	NET PROFIT (for distribution)	3,312,750	2,764,500
TOTAL ASSETS	1,254,473,991	1,064,129,335	TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,254,473,991	1,064,129,335
CUSTOMERS' LIABILITY			GUARANTEES, CREDITS & ACCEPTANCES (per contra)	704,094,656	591,232,423
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PM to open conference on 'rationalising consumption'

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, April 5 (JT)—The Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharif, will open a two-and-a-half day conference on the "Rationalisation of Consumption" at the University of Jordan Tuesday.

British pianist plays here Tuesday night

AMMAN, April 5 (JT)—The pianist, Mr. John Clegg, is giving a recital at the British Council Centre, near First Circle on Jabal Amman on Tuesday, April 8.

Mr. Clegg is Jordan's most regular musical visitor from Britain. He first played in Amman in 1969, and this will be his sixth visit since then. Based at Lancaster University, he divides his time between teaching mathematics there and the no less rigorous demands of a remarkable series of concert-tours across the world, playing both solo works and concertos.

For his latest appearance in Amman, Mr. Clegg has chosen a programme consisting of works by Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Debussy, Bridge and Rachmaninov.

The concert will begin at 8.00 p.m., entry is free. Tickets can be obtained in advance from the British Council, or at the door.

increase exports. Dr. Wadi Sharaiha, dean of the university's Faculty of Trade and Commerce told the Jordan Times today. Dr. Sharaiha is head of the preparatory committee for the conference, which will include the presentation of 24 papers discussing the complementary problems of consumption and production in Jordan.

"The problem of diverting funds from consumption to savings and investment requires a general evaluation of the economic and financial policy of

Jordan with consideration given to inflation and controlling prices," he said.

He defined "rationalisation of consumption" as "economising on consumption by direct or indirect instruments and decreasing the luxury model of consumption." Among the topics to be discussed, he added, are consumption models in Jordan as they relate to imports, the role of cooperatives and the recently suggested idea of parallel markets. Papers will be presented on consumption as it affects energy, home economics, agriculture, and transportation as well as on the role of scientific research in raising production.

Among the institutions presenting papers are: the ministries of finance, labour, social development, health and supply, the Central Bank, the Pension Fund, the Jordan Cooperatives Organisation, the Royal Scientific Society, the National Planning Council, the Jordan Petroleum Refinery Company, the departments of statistics and tax, and the university. Papers will also be presented from the private sector.

Dr. Sharaiha will also head the follow-up committee on the conference, which is composed of members of the university faculty.



Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharif



Dr. Wadi Sharaiha

Syria-Jordan company board opens meeting

AMMAN, April 5 (JT)—The board of the Syrian-Jordanian Company for Industry opened a two-day meeting here today to review the company's planned projects for this year and to evaluate the company's achievements in the past year.

The meeting, co-chaired by the Syrian Minister of Industry Hussein Al Qadi and Jordanian Minister of Industry and Trade Ali Nsour, will also hear a report on the company's budget by board director Mohammad Al Saqqaf, and will review the white cement factory and the car assembly plant as well as a factory for manufacturing insecticides.

Construction of these plants is scheduled to begin this year. Mr. Saqqaf said before the meeting that it is aimed at further achieving coordination between the two countries in the industrial field.

The Syrian delegation to the meeting arrived here earlier in the day via the border post of Ramtha. It was met by the governor of Irbid and a number of Jordanian officials.

AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

Name of Company	Par Value	Number Traded	High	Low	Closing Price
Jordan Lime and Silicate Brick Industries Co.	JD 5,000	100	5,700	5,700	5,700
Al Ezdihar Insurance Co.	JD 1,000	150	2,850	2,850	2,850
Jordan Dairy Co.	JD 1,000	1725	1,420	1,410	1,420
Arabian Development and Investment	JD 2,000	100	1,400	1,400	1,400
Islamic Bank	JD 1,000	120	2,520	2,520	2,520
Jordan Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	1550	1,520	1,520	1,520
Jordan-Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	1045	2,300	2,300	2,300
Arab Investment Bank	JD 1,000	500	1,450	1,450	1,450
Arab Co. for Paper Manufacture and Trade	JD 1,000	2100	0,990	0,980	0,990
Dar Al Dawa Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	850	4,300	4,270	4,280
Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1,000	400	3,300	3,300	3,300
Jordan General Mining Co.	JD 1,000	100	1,390	1,390	1,390
Arabian Investment and International Trading Co. Ltd.	JD 5,000	225	4,850	4,850	4,850
Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1,000	850	1,010	1,010	1,010
Arab Company for Aluminium Industries	JD 1,000	3100	1,650	1,630	1,630
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 1,000	2222	2,040	2,040	2,040
International Construction and Investment	JD 1,000	14550	1,030	1,020	1,020
Mas for Blades Manufacture	JD 1,000	50	0,970	0,970	0,970
Jordan Cement Factories Co.	JD 10,000	593	19,000	18,950	19,000
Jordan Ceramic Industries Co.	JD 1,000	70	1,260	1,260	1,260
Jordan Phosphate Mines Co.	JD 1,000	2798	3,800	3,800	3,800
Jordan Petroleum Refinery Co.	JD 5,000	939	9,800	9,800	9,800

Total Volume Traded on Saturday, April 5, 1980: JD 72,996

Total number of shares traded: 34,137

Government Development Bonds

Year of Maturity	Par Value	Number Traded	Volume Traded	High	Low
1982	JD 5,000	300	1,503	5,010	5,010
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FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, APR. 6, 1980

YOUR DAILY
Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

LIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Strengthen your philosophy of life so that the future becomes more satisfying. A fascinating new plan for the days ahead.

URUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Handle routine duties in the day so you'll have time for recreation later. The communication matters wisely.

IMINI (May 21 to June 21) Cooperate more with your members and have increased harmony. An invigorating prompt could be wrong at this time.

ON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Make sure you are according to your beliefs. Try to be of greater value to others and gain their goodwill.

O (July 22 to Aug. 21) Fine day to plan how to have abundance in the days ahead. The evening is ideal for entertaining good friends.

RG (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Concentrate your energies on affairs and postpone outside activities for now. See happiness with loved one.

RA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Study the philosophy I can give you a fuller life. Plan how to stretch your legs so you have more security.

ORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Don't commit yourself to anything in the morning and concentrate on ideas that add to present abundance.

GITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You may arise in a good mood but that soon passes. Attend services that leave your way of living.

PRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Fine day for planning to operate more efficiently in your line of endeavor. Use the future with family members.

UARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Plan a sensible course for the coming week. Concentrate on how to have income in the days ahead.

ICES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Plan carefully how to gain most cherished aims. Show more devotion for loved and express happiness together.

FORECAST FOR MONDAY, APR. 7, 1980

YOUR DAILY
Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

LIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Think carefully about acting in your line of endeavor and strengthen your fortifications. Take no risks with your reputation.

URUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Your ideas where a new act is concerned can be good and bad, so weed out the ones for best results. Be wise.

IMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be sure to keep promises made to associates. Use more tact with the one who loves and avoid trouble.

ON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take steps to an important date that can be helpful in career matters. Gain the cooperation of associates.

O (July 22 to Aug. 21) Begin the week properly by your work more painstakingly and get better results. Sidelstep a troublemaker.

RG (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Engage in favorite recreation during spare time and relieve tensions. Show that you're truly devoted to loved one.

RA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Showing more affection and kindness toward family members is wise now. Don't lose your temper with anyone.

ORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Be more precise in your demands and have more accord with associates. Establish harmony with family members.

GITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Make sure your routines are working in fine order. Be alert to opportunities coming your way now.

PRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) You can gain persons if you understand the facts connected with. Enjoy company of congenials tonight.

UARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Make definite plans to your personal aims. Make a point to encourage those who need a boost at this time.

ICES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Gaining personal wishes at this time may take longer than you anticipated. Take time to improve your health and appearance.

GOREN BRIDGE

CHARLES H. GOREN
D. OMAR SHARIF
by Chicago Tribune

vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH

♠ J8

♥ 762

♦ A85

♣ K8642

EAST

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SOUTH

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Opening:

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and declarer captured East's queen with the king. There was obviously no way to make nine tricks without bringing in the clubs, so at trick two declarer led a low club. West played the nine and declarer called for dummy's king. The monarch won the trick, but lost the contract. Declarer could set up the clubs but, in the process, he would have to spend dummy's ace of diamonds and then there would be no entry back to the table to cash the long clubs.

Declarer's play was short-sighted. Two club tricks had to be lost no matter how the cards were distributed, and the idea should have been to lose them both while retaining the ace of diamonds in dummy as an entry. If West has the ace of clubs, he will have it a minute or two later, so there is no hurry in grabbing a quick club trick.

At trick two, West's nine of clubs should be permitted to hold the trick. Declarer wins the heart continuation and leads his remaining club. This time, either the king wins the trick or West must rise with the ace. Either way, once clubs divide 3-3, the ace of diamonds is still in dummy to enable declarer to cash the fourth and fifth clubs.

Note that enterprising defenders can give declarer a problem. East must overtake his partner's nine of clubs and shift to a diamond. But declarer foils that tactic by winning the king of diamonds and reverting to clubs.

Jordan-France military match ends in draw

AQABA, April 5 (JT)—Chivalry was the name of the game here today as football teams from the Jordanian Armed Forces and from a visiting French navy warship fought to an exciting 4-4 draw before a lively if understandably partisan crowd of 1,500 Aqabans.

The Jordanian team, drawn mostly from the navy contingent that makes its home here but also including a few hard-playing attackers from the army's painting corps, took a 3-2 lead into the half-time break. The go-ahead third goal was scored by a last-minute addition to the Jordanian team in the person of His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, who played the entire game as centre forward.

The Frenchmen equalised and then went ahead 4-3 towards the end of the second half, only to be tied again by a Jordanian side that was visibly egged on by the enthusiastic young crowd.

The French team was from the visiting escort vessel *Commandant Bourdais*, which is in Aqaba for a seven-day visit. The ship is an "aviso-escorter" of the French navy, with a 160-man crew under the command of Captain Galignand.

Reliable sources aboard the *Commandant Bourdais* told the Jordan Times that after stops in Port Sudan, Djibouti and Jeddah, the crew and officers are enjoying a most pleasant stay in Aqaba.—Report by Rami G. Khouri

U.K. football roundup

LONDON, April 5 (R)—Veteran striker Jimmy Greenhoff returned dramatically after a year of injury to score the winning goal as Manchester United beat Liverpool 2-1 and kept alive the English football first division race today. United's victory moved them to within four points of leaders Liverpool and left the championship within their reach. Each side has six games remaining.

Greenhoff scored his last goal for United in the Football Association (FA) Cup semi-final a year ago yesterday in a 1-0 reply victory over Liverpool, and his last full game for the club was the Cup final which followed. A severe pelvic strain has kept him out of action, but having confirmed his fitness in several recent reserve games, he was named to start today by United manager Dave Sexton.

He seemed to be struggling for speed in the opening half, but he broke the game open in the 64th minute when he raced in to knock home a header from Joe Jordan. Liverpool had taken the early lead through Kenny Dalglish after 14 minutes, but Micky

Thomas equalised five minutes later. Liverpool keeper Ray Clemence was forced to make two spectacular saves after Greenhoff scored and United captain Ray Wilkins hit the crossbar as his club dominated the second half.

Ipswich extended their unbeaten league run to 19 matches by beating rival eastern England club Norwich 4-2 to stay in third place two points behind United. Arsenal remained fourth with a 1-1 draw against Southampton.

Nottingham Forest, who play their European Cup semi-final against Ajax Amsterdam next week, dropped a 3-2 match today to Aston Villa, who took over fifth place.

The second division tightened at the top as Birmingham took over the lead on goal difference with a 1-1 draw against Queens Park Rangers. Chelsea, the leaders before today, lost 1-0 at Leicester, who are level third with Luton, who beat Watford 1-0.

Arsenal face Liverpool in the FA Cup semi-final and Juventus of Italy in the European Cup winners Cup semi-finals next week, and their task was not helped when midfielder David Price was carried off clutching his leg after just five minutes. Then after Alan Sunderland had given them the lead, Phil Boyer equalised.

Des Bremner scored for Aston Villa after 12 minutes, then after Gary Birtles drew Forest level Alban Evans headed them 2-1 ahead before half time and an own goal by Larry Lloyd made it 3-1 two minutes into the second half. Substitute Ian Bowyer hit back for Forest in the 76th minute, but the European champions could not get the equaliser.

At the other end of the total, Derby kept alive their chances of staying in the top division next season with a 2-0 triumph over Leeds, but Manchester City, the club above them, got a point in a 1-1 draw against Stoke. Derby trail City by four points.

In the second division, Larry Marry's 65th minute goal knocked Chelsea off the top in a match marred by crowd trouble before the game and after the goal.

Sunderland won a crucial match against Newcastle 1-0 and moved into fifth place three points off the lead. Rangers, with their point against Birmingham, are tied for sixth with Newcastle and still have a chance of being one of the three clubs promoted to division one next season.

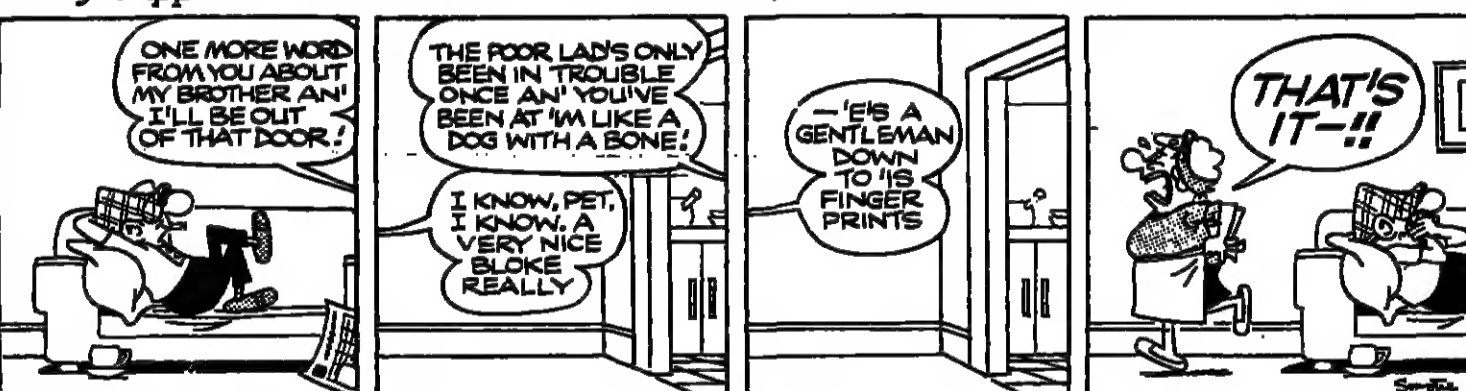
Morton and St. Mirren remained joint third with 2-0 victories over Kilmarnock and Hibernian respectively. Rangers thrashed Dundee 4-1 with three goals in the second half, two from Derek Johns. Dave Cooper and Gordon Smith added one each and Derek Sinclair scored for Dundee.

Patrick and Dundee United drew 2-2.

Peanuts



Andy Capp



Mutt 'n' Jeff



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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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Armed forces 'deemed necessary' India's Assam state moves to quell unrest

CALCUTTA, April 5 (Agencies) — The government of India's north-eastern Assam state today prepared to

call in troops to quell growing civil unrest in which more than 80 people have been killed.

An official announcement said the state had been declared a disturbed area and that the use of the armed forces had been deemed necessary.

The army has been called in at least four times since agitation to expel immigrants from the state began last September, but the new order provides for a wider use of troops to impose order.

Soldiers were already patrolling the Hailakandi district of Assam, where two people were killed in the latest rioting last Monday.

About 15,000 people have been made homeless since students began the agitation to expel Bangladeshi and Nepali

immigrants.

The students have also picketed Assam oil refineries and installations, stopping the 5.5 million tonnes annual flow of crude from the state.

Thousands of people including women and children, today staged a sit-in demonstration outside government offices throughout Assam, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported from the state capital of Gauhati.

More than 600 demonstrators, mostly women, courted arrest by sitting outside the deputy commissioner's office in Gauhati, but there were no reports of violence, PTI said.

Round-the-clock picketing was maintained in front of the oil pipeline headquarters at Narengi near Gauhati.

Talks between the authorities and the students broke down earlier this week after failure to agree on how many non-Assamese in the state should be forced to leave.

The students maintain that all "foreigners" who entered Assam since 1951, when a big influx began from neighbouring regions, should be deported to make more jobs available for local people and save the Assamese culture from being submerged.

The government offered 1967 as the cut-off year even though it has an agreement with Bangladesh protecting those Bangladeshis who entered Assam after 1971.

The crackdown followed weeks of speculation in New Delhi, the national capital, on whether Prime Minister Indira Gandhi would move against the Assam movement after two rounds of talks with student leaders here failed.

Following the breakdown of negotiations, hundreds of the prime minister's supporters launched a week-long counter-agitation in neighbouring West Bengal state which stopped rail and road transport to Assam.

They claimed the Assamese movement was committing atrocities against Indian-born Bengalis as well as the alleged aliens.

The action led to charges that Mrs. Gandhi was trying to exploit the situation for political advantage in West Bengal, ruled by a Marxist government opposed to her.



Gypsies protest at Dachau

DACHAU, West Germany, April 5 (Agencies) — Dressed in prison garb and carrying memorial wreaths, a group of Gypsies (photo) launched a hunger strike and protest march yesterday at the site of the Dachau concentration camp, north of Munich. About 20 gypsies joined in the hunger strike while about 80 others marched around the fenced-in compound, carrying a banner that read, "End discrimination of gypsies."

The camp now serves as a monument to the thousands who died there as victims of the Nazis, including about 500,000 gypsies.

A spokesman for the group said they were demanding an end to social discrimination, as well as financial discrimination by the West German Government. The spokesman claimed the gypsies receive less compensation for sufferings during the Nazi era, as compared with Jews and other persecuted groups. (AP wirephoto)

Over 300 Cubans pour into Havana's Peruvian embassy seeking asylum

HAVANA, April 5 (Agencies) — More than 300 Cubans trying to get out of the country have poured into the Peruvian embassy in Havana since Cuba yesterday withdrew its armed guards from the gates, embassy officials said today.

They began streaming to the embassy, scrambling over the fence or dodging through a side gate, immediately after the government announced it was removing the guards.

The move followed a diplomatic row over a series of incidents in which Cubans seeking asylum have crashed cars through fences into the Peruvian and Venezuelan embassies.

Cuba yesterday accused the two countries of encouraging the dissident Cubans by giving them asylum.

Early today, a Peruvian count put the number jammed into the embassy grounds at 315. The Cubans themselves were patrolling the fence on the inside.

But the refugees could be in for a long wait. Cuba also announced yesterday it would no longer grant safe conduct out of the country to anyone forcing his way into a foreign embassy.

One of the refugees, Mr. Lorenzo Sanchez Lora, said his people were guarding the fence "to defend themselves from attacks and to prevent

other Cubans from entering and creating impossible conditions inside."

As well as the 315, there were 22 refugees inside the embassy itself who entered before Cuba took away its guards. Two other refugees wounded by the guards when they crashed their bus on to embassy grounds on Tuesday were in a Havana hospital. In that incident, one Cuban guard was killed.

One refugee, Mr. Carlos Jose Alonso, said those inside the compound hoped the government would let them leave the country. "But we are all very nervous and some imagine that the Cuban Government might try to make us leave the embassy forcibly," he said.

The government, in a communique monitored in Miami, Florida, accused Venezuela and Peru of protecting "common criminals, bums and antisocial elements" who asked for political asylum.

According to the broadcast, the Peruvian embassy's police guard was withdrawn because of the death of a police guard last week. Radio Havana did not identify the dead policeman or say how he died.

"From now on the officials of that embassy will be the only (ones) responsible for anything that could happen there," the government said.

Fighting erupts again in Chad capital

N'DJAMENA, April 5 (R) — Shelling and firing erupted again today in the two-week-old battle for the Chad capital.

The fighting was in northern parts of the city but there was no sign that either President Goukouni Oueddei's forces or those of Defence Minister Hissene Habre were near to breaking the apparent stalemate in their fight.

Officers in charge of the 1,100 French troops inside a French air force base near N'Djamena air-

port expressed deep concern today over a break in telephone links between the base and the two warring sides.

The communications are regarded as vital in preventing any small-scale incident involving the French base from getting out of hand.

But the base's lines to N'Djamena's central telephone exchange, which is in territory controlled by Mr. Goukouni's men, broke down yesterday. The

French commanding officer cannot now make telephone contact with either Mr. Goukouni or Mr. Habre. The rival leaders both claimed in the past two days that they were about to win decisively. But a tour of the city yesterday showed that neither side had made any major advance in the street battles.

The European sector, held by Mr. Goukouni's men, has been battered by the heaviest shelling. The presidential palace, the U.S. embassy and the Libyan embassy are among the buildings seriously damaged.

But the Muslim poor have suffered the most and many fled to neighbouring Cameroon because they could get no food or water in N'Djamena.

The agency quoted a personal envoy of Mr. Goukouni as saying in the Libyan capital Tripoli that the call for help stemmed from a sincere belief that the Libyans would not stand idly by while their brethren in Chad were threatened with death.

There was no word on what sort of aid Mr. Goukouni had requested from Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi, but Mr. Goukouni's spokesman last night denied in N'Djamena that he had asked for military assistance.

Thousands in Peking mark Tiananmen riots anniversary

PEKING, April 5 (R) — Thousands of people filed five abreast through Chairman Mao Tse-tung's mausoleum in Peking's central Tiananmen Square today on the fourth anniversary of the Tiananmen riots.

The 1976 riots broke out after wreaths commemorating the popular premier Chou Enlai during the Qingming festival for the dead were removed from the square by the army.

The riots, five months before Chairman Mao's death, have since been declared a heroic act of rebellion.

Yesterday and today, several thousand schoolchildren took part in memorial services on the square. They swore oaths of allegiance to the communist cause.

They filed in long columns past the monument to revolutionary martyrs, where about 100 wreaths were laid for yesterday's Qingming festival.

Qingming, fixed according to the lunar calendar, took place this year on April 4. Rain during the night had washed out many of the inscriptions, but had not dampened the enthusiasm of the crowds who created something of a carnival atmosphere on the square.

In line with the current emphasis on collective leadership, most of the wreaths of paper flowers, contributed mainly by schools and colleges, bore inscriptions to old-guard revolutionary heroes.

But a number commemorated the late disgraced president Liu Shaoqi, who was rehabilitated five weeks ago after being the Communist Party's chief bogeyman for more than a decade from 1966.

Several praised Premier Chou, regarded as representing the moderate face of Chinese communism. Only one or two were

laid in memory of Chairman Mao himself.

Chairman Mao is now regarded as having made mistakes in the last decade of his life, when he launched the cultural revolution and promoted to power the so-called "gang of four" extremist leaders arrested shortly after his death.

There was no sign of the dissent which marked previous anniversaries of the April 5 riots. Peking's "democracy wall" was closed down four months ago, and the Communist Party has since proposed deleting from the Chinese constitution the right to put up wall posters.

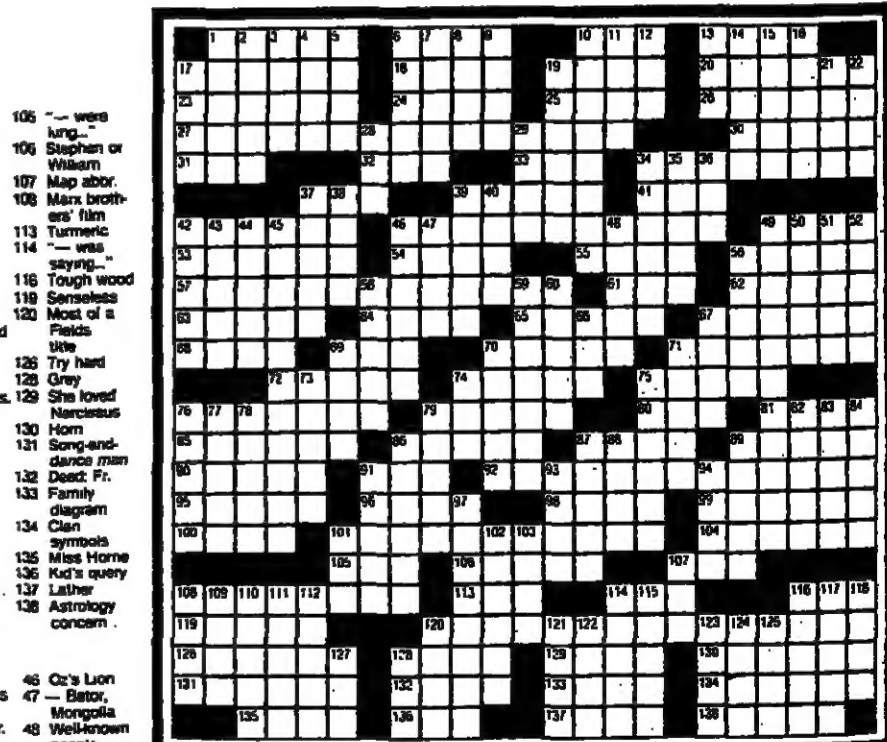
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Eritrean rebels reject self-rule offer

BEIRUT, Lebanon, April 5 (Agencies) — The Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) has rejected an offer of self-rule in the embattled Red Sea province made recently by the Soviet-backed Ethiopian regime of Colonel Mengistu Haile Mariam.

"We settle for nothing short of self-determination and negotiations without prior conditions," said Mr. Ahmad Nasser, head of the ELF Revolutionary Council, at a news conference in Beirut yesterday.

Col. Mengistu, whose Soviet-equipped forces tried hard in the last two years to quell the 19-year Eritrean rebellion, offered "a measure of self-rule to be negotiated as a basis for a peaceful settlement."

Mr. Nasser's public rejection blunts attempts by Sudan and reported offers by the Italian Communist Party to mediate between the Eritrean rebels and the Addis Ababa government.

Eritrea, a 45,000 square-mile former Italian colony on Africa's east coast, was annexed by former emperor Haile Selassie in 1962 to provide Ethiopia with an outlet to the sea. The ELF declared its rebellion shortly afterwards, demanding full independence.

In the early 1970s, the Marxist Eritrean Popular Liberation Front (EPLF) branched out from the ELF.

The EPLF also insists on full independence and rejects suggestions

that the conflict could be settled through the establishment of an Ethiopian-Eritrean federation.

Mr. Nasser charged the Ethiopian Government had readied a 30,000-man army for a new offensive to crush the rebellion. "We are ready to take them on and they will be made to realise that they cannot resolve the Eritrean problem by force," Mr. Nasser added.

He said ELF recent talks with Mr. Fidel Castro's government in Havana resulted in a pledge to allow no Cuban troops to be used in military operations against the Eritrean guerrillas. Cuba is believed to have about 2,000 troops in the Horn of Africa.

Mr. Nasser said Ethiopian troops holding Eritrea's main cities have Soviet advisors. "But no Soviet troops were seen in action in Eritrea so far," he added.

Mr. Nasser said the estimated 20,000 guerrillas of the Eritrean rebellion hold the entire countryside of the province and that hundreds of Ethiopian soldiers and officers have turned themselves in to the ELF to avert further hit-and-run raids.

'USSR favours negotiated peace'

Mr. Nasser said the Soviet Union favours a negotiated peace to end the protracted war. Mr. Nasser, who visited Moscow earlier this year at the invitation of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, said that the Russians had told him the Eritrean conflict could not be ended by military force. They had stressed the need for a peaceful solution.

The Soviets, Mr. Nasser said, had not offered any concrete suggestions on how to end the war.

Arab diplomats in Beirut said the Soviet Union appeared alarmed by military losses inflicted on its Ethiopian allies in recent months. The Ethiopians have lost at least 2,000 troops and several thousand wounded in battles since the beginning of 1980, Mr. Nasser said.

He predicted international attention would focus on Eritrea and the Horn of Africa soon as a result of superpower conflict in the wake of the Afghanistan and Iran crises.

The guerrilla leader said a severe drought in Eritrea had brought 200,000 people close to starvation, with another 750,000 severely affected by food shortages. He said that 90 people died of emaciation last week alone in the Dankalia region along the Red Sea coast. He added that some 227,000 tons of durra — an African food grain — were needed this year to make good the shortfall caused by drought.

World News Briefs

SUVA, Fiji, April 5 (AP) — The death toll from floods ravaging the Suva area rose to 12 tonight as torrential rain from cyclone Wai continued to fall over the Fiji Islands. Seven of the dead were children, the information director of the Fijian emergency service committee, Mr. Don Diment, said. More than 7,000 people were homeless and living in temporary accommodation throughout the South Pacific islands group, he said. Four villages were wiped out by the downpour and he said the death toll was expected to rise as information came in from outlying areas. "Undoubtedly a great deal of property has been lost or destroyed and there will have to be massive rebuilding programme here," Mr. Diment said. Medicine, blankets and tents were being flown in from Australia and New Zealand. There has been no information of foreign tourists being injured. "The tourists have kept their heads well down and remained in the hotels throughout the islands," Mr. Diment said. Main roads leading out of Suva have been destroyed by flooding. Domestic airline service has been suspended.

SANTA ANA, California, April 5 (R) — Miss Brenda Spencer, 1 who told police "I don't like Mondays" after killing two people at a school, was sentenced to 25 years to life imprisonment yesterday. Miss Spencer fired a semi-automatic rifle at random at the school from her home across the street in San Diego during a six-hour siege on Monday, January last year. She will be eligible for a parole hearing in 16 years and eight months. She was sentenced to 25 years to life imprisonment for the murders of the school headmaster and the caretaker. Chang involving eight injured schoolchildren and a policeman was dropped after Miss Spencer pleaded guilty to the murder charge. Her lawyer said she was "remorseful" for the attack.

VANCOUVER, Washington, April 5 (R) — Earth tremors shook the 2,900-metre Mount St. Helens volcano and rumblings of molten rock inside it could be warnings that a big lava eruption is imminent, experts said today. State Governor Dixy Lee Ray, declaring a state emergency, has told families remaining in the thinly-populated area to prepare to evacuate their homes quickly. She ordered emergency disaster plans for this area of southwestern Washington state to be placed at the ready. Mount St. Helens has been sending out steam and ash for the past nine days, and Mr. Robert Christiansen, geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey, said a big eruption always considered a possibility was even more likely now. The last tremors have registered 4.5 on the Richter scale — strong enough to cause minor damage in a populated area. Two craters on top of the volcano had merged into one gaping hole 455 metres wide, experts said.

DAR ES SALAAM, April 5 (R) — Police have arrested three suspected poachers after unearthing more than 1,300 elephant tusks, the largest single haul ever found in Tanzania, in the central bush in the government Daily News said today. Police dug up four holdings 1,308 tusks weighing more than 3.5 tons near the town Singida yesterday, the Daily News said. Villagers led police to the hoard after they tried to approach a poachers' camp and were chased away by armed men, the paper said. Police said the elephants slaughtered for the tusks were apparently taken from the Rufiji game reserve.

LOS ANGELES, April 5 (R) — The Los Angeles branch of the U. Federal Reserve Bank has been fined a maximum \$1,000 for polluting the air. It burnt old money. The prosecution, pressing it the maximum penalty under local law, told Municipal Court Commissioner Harold Crowder yesterday. "Since they (the government) have money to burn, they should pay the maximum fine."

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